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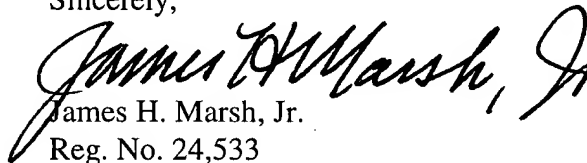
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Dear Sir:

The attached application is being filed under the provisions of 35 U.S.C. § 111 and 37 C.F.R. § 1.53(f). Under the above statutory and rule provisions, the attached patent application is entitled to a filing date as of its receipt by the United States Patent and Trademark Office, even though the application is accompanied by an unexecuted Declaration and no filing fee. A filing date is, therefore, hereby requested.

The application consists of 35 pages of specification, including the abstract, 5 sheets of informal drawings, and an unexecuted Declaration of Inventor. A total of 36 claims with 8 independent claims are being filed.

Sincerely,

  
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